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SUBJECT: SEEKING GUIDANCE ON ENGAGING INDIA ON CCIT

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[1](#)B. NEW DELHI OI FOR 2 FEB 2006

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[1](#)1. (U) This is an Action Request for IO and S/CT -- see Para [1](#)3.

[1](#)2. (C) Background: MEA Joint Secretary (UN/Political) Sanjiv Arora told us on February 2 that, following MEA's discussion with Ambassador Tahir-Kheli (Ref A), New Delhi approached the Saudi delegation on the Convention on Terrorism (CCIT) in conjunction with King Abdullah's visit in an effort to find common ground with the OIC. The India-Saudi effort built on Liechtenstein's "Friends of the Chair" compromise to include a reference to national liberation movements in the CCIT preamble, and have a slight modification of Article 18; the US and France, according to India, are not on board with this compromise. Arora reported the two sides reached a deal, with New Delhi agreeing to support Riyadh's proposed International Center for Counterterrorism Training and the Saudis agreeing to work on the OIC to drop its two demands (carving out a "national liberation groups" exemption and placing national militaries under the CCIT's auspices); the Indo-Saudi joint statement agrees to "the early realization" of both the CCIT and the CT Center in the same sentence, and references to combating "the scourge of terrorism" were bereft of any qualifying or mitigating language -- which we see as positive movement. Going forward, however, Arora also

told us that he understands Pakistan and Egypt are still playing spoiler in the OIC and are pushing for "state terrorism" falling under the CCIT, which India "won't take."

¶3. (C) Action Request for IO and S/CT: The GOI has not passed on any new ideas on reaching consensus in New York, nor can we comment on how effective Riyadh will be in swaying others among the OIC. Our GOI interlocutors, however, appear genuinely to want to see the CCIT passed, and would like to have an agreement on language that we will support. Post requests IO and S/CT provide front channel guidance for us to use with Delhi to help advance the CCIT, building on our commitment to work together toward this goal in the July 18 Bush-Singh joint statement.

¶4. (U) Visit New Delhi's Classified Website:
(<http://www.state.sgov.gov/p/sa/newdelhi/>)
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